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In re)
WILLIAM TAO SHI et al.) Art Unit: 3737
Application No. 09/272,764	Examiner: Jaworski, Francis J.
Filing Date: March 19, 1999) Confirmation No. 6065
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
PRESSURE ESTIMATION USING)
SUBHARMONIC SIGNALS FROM)
MICROBUBBLE-BASED)
ULTRASOUND CONTRAST AGENTS)

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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Sir:

Patentees are in receipt of a Request for Information mailed September 07, 2011. In the Request, Patentees are asked to provide additional information in support of a Petition for Reconsideration under 37 C.F.R. 1.378(e). In particular, Patentees are asked 1) to explain, from Ms. Lisa Lau's point of view, how patent matters were transferred to the Thomas Jefferson University Office of Technology Transfer & Business Development ("the OTT") following the termination of Mr. Weber in 2003 and the subsequent dissolution of the IP Counsel Group in 2004; and 2) to verify that U.S. Pat. No. 6,302,845 ("the '845 Patent") is the only OTT case that has gone abandoned for failure to pay maintenance fees. In response, Patentees attach hereto an affidavit of Ms. Lisa Lau, Senior Technology Licensing Associate at the Thomas Jefferson University Office of Technology Transfer & Business Development and an affidavit of Pei-Chun